President's Activity Report April 2011

District 2 Community Project - planning and outreach for the American Diabetes Association train the trainer on June 4th; outreach for Diabetes Expo on May 21st.

Meeting with representatives of the Monrovia Area Partnership and the Lennox School District to discuss the development of a community civic engagement project for Lennox residents modeled after MAP.

I met with the Lennox Cultural Master Plan committee to discuss next steps in the implementation of the plans goals and objectives. A chair for the committee was confirmed. She will be trained by a committee of women to implement the cultural plan and identify funding.

Follow-up activities for the LCMP committee: e-mailed Supervisor Mark Ridley Thomas's office to schedule a meeting with committee leaders; contacted Berta Sosa, Director of Art in the Park to do a Papel Picado interactive presentation at the Lennox Family Festival to kick-off upcoming LCMP committee events.

Scheduled a meeting with the CORO Foundation to plan for a Logic Study of the Lennox community, scheduled for September 2011

Commissioner Creary and I presented information on the LACCW and commissions in general at the Junior Leagues Commission Appointments Forum. The Junior League members present are very interested in maintaining a close working relationship with the LACCW. One of the activities we will be planning is Etiquette training for the LACCW's scholarship recipients. It has is a pleasure working with Junior League member Jenifer Deuson. LACCW commissioners are invited to attend the Junior League's Appointments to Boards and Commissions Institute Reception on Monday, May 16 at 7 pm, 630 N. Larchmont, Los Angeles 90004. Please RSVP at ienne.elvin@gmail.com by May 13.

We represented the LACCW at the District 2 Perinatal Depression Forum at UCLA/Harbor Hospital. The event was so-sponsored by the LACCW. Dr. Yonekura presented information on screening and treatment to doctors, nurses, and health providers in attendance. We distributed copies of her presentation at the May LACCW meeting. Sylvia Drew Ivie presented a proclamation to the founder and chair of the Perinatal Depression Mental Health Task Force, Kimberly Wong. Thank you to Genevieve Clavreul for furthering our understanding of this condition by writing a thoughtful account of Kimberly Wong's battle with postpartum depression in the Working Nurse Magazine. The magazine was distributed at the forum. I have also given copies to several RN's at County USC hospital. Thank you again Genevieve.

I followed-up with the non-profit organization, El Nido in regards to the elimination of Cal-Works funds by the state and its impact on women. Liz Herrera, El Nido Executive Director will address the LACCW in May.

Last month I forgot to report that Commissioner Gallegos and I attended the screening of Second to None, Inspiring stories of extraordinary women, a production of Farmer's Insurance. Everyone attending the LACCW Women of the Year Luncheon received a copy. Twenty-seven women from across the country are featured. Additional copies and lesson plans can be ordered by going to the Farmer's Insurance website.

I would like to recognize one of our very own extraordinary women. In recognition of her service and dedication to the people of the state of California, Assemblyman Fuentes selected Commissioner Gallegos as Woman of the Year. Congratulation Commissioner Gallegos!

Followed-up on Mental Health Commissioner George Caballero's request to present his report on the Aging Population at the Office of Women's Health Mental Health forum. He will be meeting with Dr. Singhal and Ellen Eidem.